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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed in the present application on April 16, 2004, Applicants hereby call the following documents, which were cited in a communication from the European Patent Office, issued April 19, 2004, for counterpart EP 04 00 0725, to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/115536 to Hojo et al., published August 22, 2002;

WO 97/29815 to Rothhaupt et al., published August 21, 1997, along with Canadian Family member CA 2,246,625, published August 21, 1997;

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EP 0 963 767 to Graupner et al., published December 15, 1999, along with an English language abstract thereof;

WO 98/32501 to Chapman et al., published July 30, 1998, along with an English language abstract thereof; and

DE 19 909 613 to Ruf et al., published September 14, 2000.

Copies of the above-noted documents, the European Search Report and the communication from the European Patent Office are enclosed herewith for the convenience of the Examiner and in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98. Further, each of the above-mentioned documents is listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner include a copy of the initialed Form PTO-1449 with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

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Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

	1	English Language Abstract of EP 0963767.
	2	English Language Abstract of WO 98/32501.

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